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In re Application of:

Roger READ, *et al.*

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For: PRODUCTION OF FURANONES

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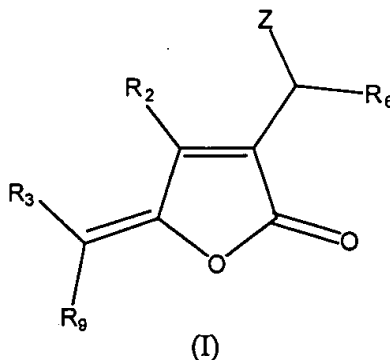
SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT

Applicants request reconsideration of this application in view of the following amendment and remarks, filed supplementary to the response filed January 3, 2003.

AMENDMENT

Please amend claims 1-6, 9, 12, 15 and 25 as follows:

1. (twice amended) A compound according to formula (I):



wherein R<sub>6</sub> is H, OH, alkyl, alkoxy, oxoalkyl, alkenyl, aryl or arylalkyl;

R<sub>2</sub> and R<sub>3</sub> are independently or both H or halogen;

R<sub>9</sub> is halogen;

Z is independently selected from R<sub>6</sub>, halogen, OOH, OC(O)R<sub>6</sub>, =O, amine, azide, thiol,